

NINETY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 239

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PURPOSE: Bison have been here for hundreds of thousands of years and have had a big impact on humans. The bison industry is an industry experiencing rapid growth, with demand exceeding supply for both meat and breeding stock. Bison are not considered domestic animals and require different handling than other stock. The purpose of this study is to determine the necessity or desirability of enacting state legislation to regulate the bison industry with special emphasis on:

- (1) Disease control and prevention;
- (2) Managing fencing and handling facilities for capturing, sorting, treating, testing, and confining bison;
- (3) Importation rules and regulations; and
- (4) Industry promotion and product marketing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Agriculture Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.

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PRESIDENT OF THE LEGISLATURE

I, Patrick J. O'Donnell, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Legislative Resolution 239, which was passed by the Legislature of Nebraska in the Ninety-sixth Legislature, First Session, on the XXXX(words)XXXX day of May 1999.

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CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE